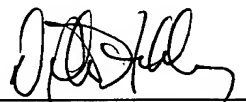


REMARKS

The claims have been amended to delete multiple dependencies, thereby reducing the overall filing cost, and to place them into proper U.S. claim format. No new matter has been added. Prosecution on the merits hereof is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Peter Hochberg', written over a horizontal line.

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